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SUBJ: MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS

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1. WHEN I SAW FONMIN CARVAJAL MAY 29, I SOUNDED HIM ON PERUVIAN PROPOSAL TO HAVE OAS PERMANENT COUNCIL DISCUSS MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS NEXT WEEK. CARVAJAL HAD HEARD NOTHING ABOUT IT.

2. I TOOK OCCASION TO INDOCTRINATE CARVAJAL RE OUR POSITION ON SUBJECT IN GENERAL, POINTING OUT THAT USG WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN

BY MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND DID NOT CONDONE SUCH ACTIVITIES. I ALSO NOTED THAT WE EXPECTED THAT ANY ABUSES DISCLOSED RE ACTIVITIES OF US MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS WOULD BE HANDLED IN COUNTRIES POSSESSING JURISDICTION THROUGH NORMAL LEGAL AND GOVERNMENT CHANNELS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PREVAILING LEGAL PRINCIPLES.

3. ALL THIS OBVIOUSLY SOUNDED VERY PLAUSIBLE TO FONMIN, WHO INDICATED AGREEMENT.

4. IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, I WOULD EXPECT THAT CHILE WOULD BE RELUCTANT TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ATTACK ON THE US IN THE PERMANENT COUNCIL ON THIS SUBJECT, BUT EVEN MORE RELUCTANT TO ABSTAIN IF AN OTHERWISE GENERAL LATIN AMERICAN CONSENSUS SHOULD EMERGE. AS SITUATION IS FURTHER CLARIFIED, IT MAY BE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO DO SOME USEFUL MISSIONARY WORK HERE, IF DEPARTMENT WISHES US TO DO SO.

5. EMBOFF FOLLOWED UP MY CONVERSATION WITH DEMARCHE TO FON MINISTRY NORTH AMERICAN DEPARTMENT CHIEF, AS INSTRUCTED STATE 120843.
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